Subject: STIP Comments

From: Sockeye Cycle <sockeyecycle@yahoo.com> Date: Wed, 14 Dec 2005 13:17:39 -0800 (PST)

Dear DOT.

The priorities for transportation in our state need to focus on improving and maintaining the existing system. I request that you zero out funds allocated to the Juneau road, Kinik Arm bridge and the Gravina Island bridge.

These projects are outlandishly expensive, unnecessary and will suck all transportation resources for now and for years to come. These proposals can only be viewed as kick backs for the "good old boy" network that the current administration is beholden to. The majority of residents oppose these projects.

Our states current roads need the money, specifically the Klondike Highway needs a southbound bike lane. This is the most heavily used bicycle route in the state and if safety is important to the administration, this should be a top priority.

The Glen Highway needs to be improved, widened and resurfaced. The most heavily used road way in the state is in horrible condition.

Please listen to what the people and local governments are asking for, improvements to our existing road system, not boondoggle roads and bridges to nowhere. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

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